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SUBJECT: PRESS GUIDANCE - AUGUST 9, 1994

1. THE FOLLOWING IS BURUNDI PRESS GUIDANCE (AF) AND
RWANDA PRESS GUIDANCE (IO).

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2. AF PRESS GUIDANCE - BURUNDI: SITUATION REPORT

Q: WHAT IS THE CURRENT SITUATION IN BURUNDI?

A: ASSISTANT SECRETARY OF STATE FOR DEMOCRACY, HUMAN
RIGHTS, AND LABOR JOHN SHATTUCK CONTINUES HIS VISIT TO
BURUNDI, STRESSING THAT THERE IS NO VIABLE ALTERNATIVE TO
PEACE AND RECONCILIATION AND THAT ACCOUNTABILITY IS AN
IMPORTANT PART.

IN BUJUMBURA, DEMONSTRATORS PARTIALLY SHUT DOWN THE
CAPITAL CITY FOR THE SECOND DAY, WITH STONE-THROWING
YOUTHS BLOCKING MAJOR ROADS YESTERDAY, AUGUST 8.

THERE IS EVIDENCE OF VIOLENCE IN THE COUNTRYSIDE. ON

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SATURDAY, AUGUST 6, AMBASSADOR KRUEGER VISITED 38 HOUSES THAT HAD BEEN BURNED DOWN IN MURAMVYA (MUR-AHM-VIA) PROVINCE BY UNKNOWN ASSAILANTS. THIS ATTACK LEFT 194 HUTUS AND SIX TUTSI ORPHANS HOMELESS.

LAST WEEK AMBASSADOR KRUEGER VISITED A MASS GRAVE IN KIRUNDO PROVINCE WHICH IS BELIEVED TO HOLD THE BODIES OF 120 RWANDAN REFUGEE MEN WHO DISAPPEARED IN JULY.

3. IO PRESS GUIDANCE - RWANDA: FRENCH WITHDRAWAL

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Q: HAS FRANCE RESPONDED TO THE SYG'S REQUEST THAT THEY DELAY THEIR WITHDRAWAL FROM RWANDA? WHAT ABOUT THE NOTION OF FRANCE LEAVING BEHIND SOME RESIDUAL TROOPS TO MAINTAIN SECURITY IN THE SAFETY ZONE?

A: THE GOF MAINTAINS AS ITS GOAL WITHDRAWAL BY AUGUST 22, AND IT HAS ESTABLISHED A SCHEDULE FOR WITHDRAWAL BY THIS DATE. HOWEVER, IN MEETINGS LAST WEEK BETWEEN USG AND GOF OFFICIALS, THE GOF STATED THAT THAT IT MAY STAY LONGER IF IT APPEARS THAT DEPARTURE BY THE 22ND MIGHT CAUSE SERIOUS DESTABILIZATION IN THE "SAFETY ZONE," ANOTHER MASSIVE FLIGHT OF REFUGEES INTO ZAIRE, AND THE ENDANGERMENT OF LIVES.

4. IO PRESS GUIDANCE - RWANDA: WAR CRIMES TRIBUNAL

Q: HAS THE RPF AGREED TO SUPPORT AN INTERNATIONAL WAR CRIMES TRIBUNAL FOR RWANDA? WHAT ARE THE NEXT STEPS? WHEN CAN WE EXPECT TO SEE A WAR CRIMES TRIBUNAL FORMED?

A: AS A/S SHATTUCK ANNOUNCED FOLLOWING HIS MEETINGS WITH THE RWANDAN GOVERNMENT, RWANDAN JUSTICE MINISTER NKUBITO HAS AGREED TO COOPERATE WITH AN INTERNATIONAL TRIBUNAL. HE HAS SO ADVISED SECRETARY GENERAL BOUTROS GHALI IN A LETTER WHICH COMMITS THE RWANDAN GOVERNMENT TO "MAKE EVERY EFFORT TO PREVENT SUMMARY EXECUTIONS AND OTHER ACTS OF VIGILANTE JUSTICE AND TO ARREST THOSE WHO COMMIT ACTS OF

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THE UN SECURITY COUNCIL HAS AUTHORIZED THE ESTABLISHMENT

OF A COMMISSION OF EXPERTS TO EXAMINE THE EXTENT OF
CRIMES AGAINST HUMANITY COMMITTED IN RWANDA. WE ARE
SURGING, HOPEFULLY BEFORE THE FOUR-MONTH DEADLINE OF LATE
OCTOBER-EARLY NOVEMBER SET OUT IN THE SECURITY COUNCIL
RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING THE COMMISSION, THAT THE MEMBERS
OF THE COMMISSION ISSUE A REPORT AS SOON AS POSSIBLE.

JUSTICE MINISTER NKUBITO HAS TOLD THE SECRETARY GENERAL
THAT IT IS ESSENTIAL THAT THE COMMISSION'S WORK BE
COMPLETED PROMPTLY AND THAT AN INTERNATIONAL TRIBUNAL BE
ESTABLISHED SOON.

THE NEXT STEP IS FOR THE SECURITY COUNCIL TO CREATE A WAR
CRIMES TRIBUNAL TO INVESTIGATE IN DETAIL AND BRING
PERPETRATORS TO TRIAL. WE WILL BE WORKING IN NEW YORK FOR
THE EARLIEST POSSIBLE CREATION OF THAT TRIBUNAL.

IT IS ESSENTIAL THAT THOSE RESPONSIBLE FOR THE ATROCITIES
IN RWANDA BE BROUGHT TO JUSTICE.

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